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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Madame

This is in response to an office action mailed on October 29, 2002 and the Amendment and Reply mailed on January 24, 2003.

On page 7 of the Amendment, we reference an "Appendix A." This Appendix was unintentionally not mailed with the Response. Accordingly, Applicants herewith provide Appendix A.

CONCLUSION

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

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APPENDIX A

To further cement the fact that one of ordinary skill in the art would readily accept the suitability of β -actin as an internal control gene, Applicant herewith provides a list of dozens of her peer-reviewed studies reporting the successful use of β -actin in a large variety of gene expression and tissue applications.

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